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NATIONAL GLEE CLUB OF CINCINNATI

Young Men Quartet of Bell Ringers and Singers
Render Very Pleasing Program at St. Joseph
College Alumni Hall November 16.

On November 16 the National Glee club, a quartet of bell ringers and singers, gave an entertainment in Alumni hall. The young men made a decided hit, especially since their number was something practically new at St. Joe. New realms of music were opened to the students, who had never believed the bell to be capable of such beauty and cadence, their main idea of a bell's music being similar to that which falls upon their ears each morning. The second basso made himself the favorite of the evening by interspersing the musical numbers with recitations. His sad pictures went to the heart of the audience and his comic antics made them split their sides in laughter. The vocal numbers were very pleasant to hear and the selection of songs showed good taste; joyful, sad and comic numbers being rendered with equal dexterity.

This was the second lecture number of the year, and the students hope that those following may be as good.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY NOTES

The Holy Name society is doing what it should, because the fellows are making it do it. On nearly every coat lapel is seen the little oxidized gold or silver button. But it isn't so much the wearing of the button, which is only a little reminder, as the sentiment among the fellows discountenancing profanity that makes it successful. On the campus and in the gymnasium halls the language is exceptionally good at present. The worth of this statement is seen when we remember that it is here that a fellow is often taxed to his utmost in different games and sports, and it often requires much self control to keep back words that well up at a temporary rebuff or defeat. But control is made much easier when we know that everybody is against the fellow who uses bad language.

P. B.

CHRISTMAS THOUGHTS

"Hark! The herald angels sing,
College Cheer is just the thing,
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
Ninety cents for man and child."

A Requiem High Mass was offered up for the deceased members of the C. P. S. on November 17.

THANKSGIVING PLAY

The Columbian Literary society, as is its usual custom, presented a play on Thanksgiving evening. Last year the Shakespearian drama, "Julius Caesar," was presented, but this year a rollicking comedy, "Royal Fetters" or "A Regular Scream," was selected. The play was given under the direction of Father I. A. Rapp. The play centered about a young man, Austin Beaufort, and it contained a few embarrassing as well as a wealth of ludicrous, side-splitting situations. It was enjoyed by all.

An excellent musical program was rendered by the college orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Havorka.

The cast of characters of "Royal Fetters" is as follows:

Prince Cyril of Verengetz, known as Cyril Romaine	Matt Lause
Carlos Romaine, his cousin	Wm. Deutsch
Lieutenant Boranze	Jos. Luetkemeier
Honorable John Winslow	Tony Tompkins
Myles Standish Winslow, his son	A. Feldhaus
Benjamin Franklin Winslow, his nephew	
.....	George Kuntz
Horace Weber	} Harvard Sophs., ...Leo Beck
Arthur Loveland	
Richard Mason	
Silas Brown, colored	John Metress

TURNER NOTES

A meeting of the Turners was held on November 20 for the purpose of electing officers. The following were chosen for the various offices:

Turnward	L. DeJaco
Vortuner at Horizontal Bar	D. Hayden
Vortuner at Tumbling	W. Glueckert
Vortuner at the Parallel Bars	J. Klem
Vortuner at the Horse and Buck	E. Kampson
Vortuner at the Slack Wire	G. Wendling
Vortuner at the Rings	L. Jacobs
Vortuner at the Trapeze	T. Daily
Clown Master	L. Bignani

There were several new members admitted which makes a total membership of forty.

RENSSELAER GAVE COLLEGE HEARTY SUPPORT

The high school students of Rensselaer have given St. Joe their hearty support this year in athletic games. Especially was this seen when Notre Dame played foot-ball here recently. The town boys were there with bells on, as you might

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ATHLETIC NOTES.

ST. JOE LOSES FINAL GAME

The Purple and Red failed to show their old-time fighting spirit in the game with Walsh Hall and as a consequence they were on the short side of the score.

Walsh Hall won the toss up and decided to defend the south goal. Antl kicked off to Barry, who ran the ball back to his own thirty-yard line. St. Joe was expecting the visitors to use forward passes almost exclusively and her secondary defense was five or six yards further back than usual. Instead of this her opponents relied on end runs and cross bucks. Before St. Joe had time to correct her mistake, the ball was advanced far into her territory. The Purple and Red seemed to be powerless to break up the interference, and time and again Walsh Hall made eight and ten yards around end. The first quarter ended with the ball on St. Joe's fifteen yard line, in possession of her opponents. A few minutes after the second quarter began, Barry carried the ball across the goal line for the first score of the game. He failed to kick goal. Walsh then kicked off to Wellman, who returned it twenty yards. Tremel then laid out along the side lines and Bruin threw a forward which was completed. Tremel ran forty yards before he was tackled. On the next play Schmidt lost the ball on a fumble. Walsh Hall could not gain so they kicked. The ball was in St. Joe's possession in the middle of the field at the close of this period.

The visitors kicked off at the beginning of the second half. The kick was low and Vonder Haegen and Schmidt allowed it to roll past them. Bruin picked it up, but was thrown almost as soon as he had it in his arms. It was at this time St. Joe made the mistake that lost the game. Bruin, standing in the shadow of his own goal, attempted to pull off the same trick that worked so well in the second quarter, namely, forward passing to an end who was laying out along the side lines. This time Walsh Hall's secondary defense was awake and Half-back Barry intercepted it. On the next play Lockett went through center for a touchdown. He failed to kick goal. St. Joe again received but was forced to punt. Walsh Hall had the ball on their own thirty-yard line at the close of this quarter. After several downs having failed to advance the ball, the visitors attempted to punt. Wellman broke through the line and blocked the kick. The ball rolled behind the goal lines where Antl fell on it for St. Joe's only touchdown. Bruin failed in his attempt to kick goal. Walsh Hall received but were unable to gain ground consistently. St. Joe had by this time tired her opponents and was using every means to get another touchdown. The time was too short and the game ended with the score 12 to 6 in favor of the Notre Dame team.

Although defeated and playing in hard luck, St. Joe put up one of the pluckiest battles ever seen on the home field and deserves nothing but praise for this game.

St. Joe line-up:

Shaffer Center
Antl Left Guard
O'Brien Right Guard
Vonder Harr Left Tackle
Vonder Haegan Right Tackle
Hunt Right End
Tremel Left End
Schmidt Quarter Back
McLaughlin Left Half Back
Wellman Right Half Back
Bruin Full Back
Touchdowns: Barry 1, Lockett 1, Antl 1.
Referee—Moore. Umpire—Myers.

VARSITY TRY-OUTS

Every afternoon witnesses a varsity basket-ball try-out game. Much interest is being shown and there is a hot fight among the aspirants for a position on the team. Every man who has appeared on the floor so far has a chance, and in the writer's opinion two or three, who have not handed in their names for a try-out, have an excellent chance. There seems to be no weighty excuse for these men to remain idle. Do not take it upon your own shoulders to judge whether you are good enough or not, but leave it to the management. We hope these men will look more to the good of St. Joe's athletics and less to their own personal comfort and pleasure and come out for the team.

GAME ANNOUNCEMENTS

Basket-ball game at St. Joseph on December 20, with Y. M. P. C. of Lafayette.

On January 13 St. Joe will meet the Indiana Dental college at Indianapolis.

A. A. BOARD MEETS

The Athletic Board of Appropriation met Wednesday evening, November 22. The purpose of the meeting was to appropriate money with which to buy pictures of the foot-ball squad for the members of the team. The advisability of hiring an outside man to coach the basket-ball team was debated but no agreement was reached.

Collegeville, Ind., Nov. 27, '16.

Dear Mister and Mrs. Emperor of Austria:

The rumor that you are now at the head of Hung(a)ry Austria saturated the viens of my heart with an unquenchable joy. I circumvent this opportunity to extend to you my heartfelt congratulations, and I hope that your reign may be a coludburst of success.

By the way, how is that little wrestling match coming along over on your side of the pond? The papers in this country all lie like blue blazes about it. I would appreciate a letter from you, giving me the straights of it. It would be a favor, which I could never forget, as I bet Bishop Beck five butters that you will knock the tar out of the English. Do that, will you?

If you don't get this letter at once, let me know and I will be glad to write you another of the same nature.

As ever, your sincere pal,

PILL WEGER, Ph. D.

P. S.—Kisses for the babies.

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EDITORIALS.

"DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY"

In every newspaper, magazine or periodical you pick up these days you will be confronted with the following words, "Do your Christmas shopping early," or "Prepare now for Christmas." To the housewife, mother, etc., these words mean that it is time to store up gifts for the children and for acquaintances and friends; it causes them to realize that they have certain duties which they owe to their fellowmen. But what should the words "Prepare now for Christmas" mean to the Catholic student? They should serve to impress upon him that, as a Christian, he has certain duties which God exacts of him, especially so on the feast of the Incarnation. So, then, let him prepare now for Christmas, let him live a better life, perform his labors more willingly and more conscientiously, be more solicitous for the well-being of his fellow students and not willing and even anxious to start a quarrel at every opportunity, be more respectful and obedient to his professors; in a word, do all the good of which he is capable. If he does so strive, let him rest assured that when Christmas morning dawns it will find him better prepared for its proper celebration than if he had waited till the last few days and then have been forced to do his "preparing for Christmas" in a hurried and half way. Remember, "It pays to prepare NOW for Christmas."

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The editor desires to thank those students who have so generously contributed articles for publication in The Cheer. They have greatly lightened his work and he cannot help expressing his appreciation of their thoughtfulness.

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A statement reads that a certain person drank hair tonic and choked to death. Must have grown whiskers in his throat.

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One liar who is going to get to heaven is the fellow who is always telling people how fine they are looking.

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Sometimes a mysterious person is mysterious simply because he attends to his own business.

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Since the movies came, the old song, "Where Is My Wondering Boy Tonight," has died out.

"Thousands die from kissing," reads statement. Still it's great if you live through it.

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The student who used to borrow your pencil, now has a fountain pen but no ink.

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The success of the self-made man is due to self-made opportunities.

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How long has it been now, since the last time Villa was killed?

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"Must" is the only cure for "Can't."

THE TERRIBLE BATTLE

On they march in stately form from either side, neither seeming to notice the other, but more the unabated multitude clamor for the first sword to strike, that sounds the beginning of the deadly conflict. A nation hangs on the victorious steel of one. Which shall it be?

Many a mind was changed at the boldness or seeming weakness of his favorite knight as they advanced toward each other. As Death seemed now to be begun, a sepulchral silence fell on the blood-thirsting rabbles.

In the lull the first spark from the impending steel gave note that the deadly conflict had begun. Again the assembled populace runs rampant, now with a murmuring, now a roar, and now like the rumbling of a mighty volcano, vying with each other, each to send his choice to triumph.

Pandemonium reigns, excitement reaches the fever height, tumult runs riot, as the restless throng in the stadium, swaying, pushing, crowding, with fixed gaze, awaits the arrival of the respective gladiators. When lo! with chests bared, heads aloft, and with the sounding of brass and the tinkling of cymbals there appear the knights, with looks of approval from smiling faces or disapproval from frowning countenances.

In muscular strength, neither seemed of an advantage. In dexterity and nimbleness of limb both were equally blessed, even the applause denoted no particular partiality. Fie, for shame, that such men of noble birth should suffer their lives to amuse. But nay, by imperial decree, the states demand a sacrifice and so it must be, and their division into factions have offered their best in flesh and bone that the mightier should rule in undisputed power.

The wealth of the realm, the hearts of the pauper have each contributed their share that this might be a festive day. A sea of ashen faces view the mortal struggle as worthy foe and enemy grapple for supremacy, which Mars will not grant to either. Suddenly, as a flash from the East, Sir Hughes is proclaimed a victor, but hark! the West heralds Sir Wilson as her favorite son and now from all points, save one, of the compass comes a confusion. A pall hangs over the battle ground, the gladiators dead-locked with endurance spent, the spectators all have nought to say lest they be called fools, quarters will not be given. Sir Wilson, dejected, is sinking to noble death, when by inspiration he bethinks himself and searches with vision for his espoused wife, California, and immediately his lot is cast. With renewed strength of

vigor he lifts his massive form to glorious victory, with appreciative assent to his encouraging friends, but real gratitude to his beloved of heart, California, in whom his fate depended. G. F. K.

AD NOCTEM

Oh peaceful night! Oh silent night!
Thou stillest the din and the noise of the day.
The chant of the crickets, the tweet of the birds,
The rhythmic breathing of the sleeping herds,
Are a potent balm for a sorrowing soul.

The earth rolls on without remorse.
The moon glides silently in its tranquil course,
But the cheery stars bring consolation,
Warm up the heart's chill desolation,
And view all things with cheerful mien.
Oh night divine! Oh night serene!

—J. H. A.

NOTES FOUND IN THE WASTE BASKET

Dear Francis: As you are probable aware, it is Pete's and my one great object in the study of chemistry to secure places on either side of you in the personal experiment laboratory with the view of discovering some element, physical mixture or chemical compound of a highly explosive nature with which, without further ado, we can blow you up while at work. If we mistake not, Father Wagner mentioned such a substance the other day during his lecture, but through our oversight, we neglected to make a note of it, and now it has escaped our memory. Thinking that perhaps you remember the name of the chemical, we are confident that you will favor us with the desired information, if at all possible. Just write it on a slip of paper and pass it back and we will be much obliged to you.

Sincerely,

LEO T. BECK.

Dear Leo: This high explosive is a secret mixture which I received from the war department at Washington. It is causing all terrible bomb throwing and fearful cannonading in the great war, across the water. It is a metallic substance combined with Dr. James' cough syrup. It is one of the few great discoveries in the last few years. As you and Pete have a good showing of becoming expert chemists, I will send you the formula, but under the penalty of instant death if you reveal it to anyone. You can try it tomorrow in the laboratory.

The formula is C_2H_1 , Ar, H_2O , Z45-100, I_2H , and you can put a few lucifer matches into it, some gasoline, nitroglycerine and dynamite.

Yours truly,

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By Albert Scheiner.

THE RIGHT SPIRIT

Our ball tossers, and in a few cases, pushers, are making things lively in the gymn. The Juniors deserve great credit for their "phenominal precocity in mastering the technique of the sphere," as some one said the other day in reference to one of Euclid's disciples. If a good beginning is half the work, we ought to have a live-sized firmament here soon! Everybody is working to bring out the best that is in him. That is the only way to make a success of this well loved sport. Go for the fun there's in it and the rest shall be added unto you.

THE LAST BIRD'S FAREWELL

Farewell, my forest friends! Farewell
Death-tinged leaves and icy nooks
Where she and I with tender looks
Communed oft! Ah, then, 'twas well,
But now, farewell!

In this soft nest she breathed her last,
And left me here alone, alone,
To guard our still, bereaved home.
My wings are free; my heart's here fast,
And yet, farewell!

Three little birds have flown away
To warmer climes, to sunnier lands.
My little birds have left these sands
With warmer friends, and young, to stay,
Without farewell!

The wind is cold and chills my blood.
My nearest friends all took to flight;
Have fled from darkness into light:
Have left me 'lone to search for food,
Wtihout farewell!

My nest is cold; my All has flown!
Why linger in a land of tears?
Why tarry in this night of fears?
I'll leave it for another home.
My friends, farewell!

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Supko—Do the Germans have guns?
Bauer (sarcastically)—No.
Supko—Then that is why the war lasts so long.

Hiller—My razor cuts this time like my old lawn mower!
Boeff—Does it leave as much?

Stadtherr (shortly before supper)—Say, fellers, listen! Doesn't that smell good?

Professor—What do we call a man who clings to old customs?
Freshman—An antiquary.

C. L. S. PRIVATE PROGRAM

Sunday evening, November 19, the C. L. S. for the first time held their meeting and program together. The participants in general did well, but to say that the "Famous Chicken Debate" made a hit is putting it mildly. Leonard Manley and C. Lutkemeier upheld the theory that "it is no crime to steal chickens," with characteristic negro philosophy, while J. Kuhn and F. Hunt exhibiting the zenith of negro culture, spoke convincingly in the negative. You can guess the end of a negro debate. The judges left with black eyes and Mr. Hermiller, the principal judge, in slightly dampened garments.

The program over, the society held its regular meeting, after which Mr. Honan gave a quiz in parliamentary law.

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Fun at his friends' foibles, lest
There is a come-back to the jest.
And, honestly, we would lose half
The fun without an answering laugh.

IN GRAMMAR

"Now, Reuse," said the professor, "let us take the verb 'to be.' What is the past of 'is'?"
"Was," said Reuse.
"Very good," said the professor. "And what is the past of 'be'?"
"Oh—, buzz," roared Reuse.

Some men are never too busy to go looking for trouble.

It's a wise fly that knows his own swatter.

TRY THIS

Fold a dollar bill and place it in your vest pocket. As you take it out you will find it in(-) creases.

AD HERMILLIUM

I wish I was in Glandorf
In Glandorf I would be,
With a beer keg on my shoulder
With a stein upon my knee.
I'd walk the fields of clover,
I'd walk them up and down,
I'd walk about a square or two
And be way out of town.
—Auctor Ignotius.

ECONOMY HINTS

Take long steps and your shoes will last longer.

No man knoweth what a day may bring forth in the price of provisions.

HEARD IN ENGLISH CLASS

Tony Schaefer—Is Thackery the one who wrote "The Vision of Sir Longfellow."

HINTS FOR THE POOR MAN

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say, and drowned the opposition of the visitors cheering with the strains of their various musical instruments. St. Joe welcomes and appreciates such support and is ever ready to return it.

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Dear Editor: What is a good test for discovering whether a certain plant is a toadstool or mushroom?

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Dear Editor: What is the present price of wheat?

Answer: It is a Ford dearer per acre today than it was yesterday.

Dear Editor: What does the expression "some people are like Fords" mean?

Answer: It isn't possible to judge at what speed they are going by the racket they make.

Dear Editor: Will you kindly explain what there is in the demolition of a perfectly good pie through impact upon the physiognomy of an altogether non-pulchritudinous individual that appeals so strongly to the risibilities of spectators in a moving picture theater?

Answer: Huh??

THANKSGIVING DAY

Thanksgiving day dawned bright and cheery and found Collegeville more than ready to properly celebrate it. A high mass of Thanksgiving was said at 8 a. m. by Rev. Idelphonse Rapp, C. PP. S. Everyone enjoyed the big chicken dinner, while the play given in the evening by the C. L. S. proved in every way a success.

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VARIOUS LIVES

Lives of seniors all remind us,
We should strive to do our best
And departing, leave behind us,
Ponies that will help the rest.

Lives of angleworms remind us
If we wish our own to bud
We should let no robin find us
As we wiggle through the mud.

Lives of bumblebees remind us
If the people of our zone
With the hives were all afflicted
How we'd know which was our own.

Lives of octopi remind us
If we had eight hands, and able,
We would not get hot-box elbows
Passing eats around the table.

Tracks of centipedes remind us
If we had those shoes to fill
We would die and leave behind us
An enormous unpaid bill.

Honks of autos oft remind us
When we cross from pave to pave
We must get a hump upon us
If our bacon we would save.

THE LATEST

Goeckler ordered a bowl of Mary Pickford soup at Fate's restaurant and in order not to be outclassed the waiter served him an ordinary diet of soup and crackers. In the middle of its consumption a long hair was found (probably the cook's) and this inquiry was at once made.

"Say, what do you call this?"

"A straight hair," said the waiter. "What do you want, a curl for your nickle."

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